

Welcome to United Church of Fayetteville
We welcome you to our community of faith and are glad you have
joined us for worship. Our congregation is theologically diverse,
with roots in the American Baptist and Presbyterian Church (USA) traditions.
As a strong community of faith, we are accepting of all people.
Please ask any member about our life together.
We are glad you are here!

Sunday, July 31, 2022

Welcome

Prelude

I Need Thee Every Hour
Jon Bergman, Director of Music Ministries

R. Lowry

For Reflection: *"Life is the greatest bargain –we get it for nothing."*

Yiddish proverb

Call to Worship

*Hymn 162

The God of Abraham praise

Prayer of Praise

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God: We know that all things come from you; that what we do and have we do by your power and according to your blessings. Yet, too often, beyond these walls, we take credit for those events in which we have had only a minor role. Forgive us for forgetting we are your creatures and restore in us a sense of the holy humanity for which you have created us. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Reception of New Members

The Covenant of Worship and Service

Do you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, and take for your rule of life his words: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself? *I do.*

In the presence of God and these witnesses, do you give yourself to Christ's service, and take this to be your congregation in Christ's Church in the world? *I do.*

Ever mindful of your fellow travelers in faith, do you promise to walk with them in faithfulness and Christian love? *I do.*

And do you promise that, so far as able, you will participate in the worship, ministry and life of this congregation, sharing your gifts, talents and treasure, giving and receiving as each has opportunity and need? *I do.*

Welcome and Prayer of Blessing

We welcome you with joy to join with us in the common life of this congregation. We promise you our friendship and prayers, as we share the hope, mission and ministry of the Church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be faithful witnesses of our risen Savior.

Hymn Response 362 *Help us to help each other vs. 1 and 2*

Invitation to the Offering

Offering God our Lives, God's Tithe, and our Pledges

Offertory

Just Pass It On
UCF Women's Choir

D. Besig

*Pass it on, to someone close beside you;
Pass it on, be sure to let it show.
In everything you say, in everything you do,
Just pass it on and watch it grow.*

*When you wake up in the morning
And look out at the blue sky above,
Be thankful for the day that's just beginning. And find a
brand new way to share God's love.*

*Pass it on, to someone close beside you;
Pass it on, be sure to let it show.
In everything you say, in everything you do
Just pass it on and watch it grow.*

*The love of God is everywhere around us.
It shines on us wherever we may be,
So share His love and pass along some kindness,
Let it show so everyone can see.*

*Pass it on, to someone close beside you;
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In everything you say, in everything you do,
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*** The Doxology with Alleluias**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Hebrew Scripture *Genesis 28:18-22*

***Gloria**

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Epistle Reading *II Corinthians 9:8-12*

Meditation

The Big "If"

Rev. Dr. Linda D. Even

Hymn 447

O Jesus I have promised

Prayer for Others and Ourselves

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day, our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn 154**

This is my Father's world

***The Benediction**

Postlude

A Flower Remembered

J. Rutter

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Welcome to our streamed worship service from the United Church of Fayetteville, NY. We are glad you are joining us today! Our welcoming and affirming congregation hopes you will soon be able to join us in person!

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Our Commitment to Mission:

An expression of our hope

“We are a Jubilee community,
inclusive and united
to celebrate God’s grace through worship,
to demonstrate Christ’s love
by caring for one another and all people in need,
to cultivate the Spirit’s gifts in all people,
and to reach out and disciple others in the Good News of our faith.

We invite all people to join us
in ministries of praise, love, and concern.”

(from the United Church of Fayetteville)

Statement of Mission,” By-laws: Article III A)

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